its previous office action response, the use of first and second communication channels is not taught in the prior art. Butts requires that all communications between a terminal and a host be via a server. Applicant respectfully submits that Butts does not disclose a two channel route of communication. Thus, claim 1 is not anticipated by Butts.

Claim 2 is dependent upon claim 1, and is believed to be patentable for at least the reasons set forth therein. Thus, claim 2 is not anticipated by Butts.

Claim 3 is dependent upon claim 1, and is believed to be patentable for the reasons herein. Further, claim 3 has been amended to specifically disclose that screen information, including screen identification information, is received, decoded and sent. This is described at page 4 of applicant's originally submitted application. As the applicant has stated in its previous office action response, the receiving, decoding and sending of screen information is not taught in the prior art. Therefore, claim 3 is patentable over Butts.

Claim 4 is dependent upon claim 3 (which itself is dependent upon claim 1), and is believed to be patentable for at least the reasons set forth therein. Further, the prior art does not disclose the use of first and second communication channels, as claim 1 does, nor does it disclose the receiving, decoding and sending of screen information, as claim 3 does. Similarly, the prior art does not disclose the use of all of these above steps in conjunction with the steps regarding cursor position and screen information in claim 4. It is respectfully submitted that the amendments therein allow claim 4 to overcome any anticipation by Butts.

In light of its dependance upon claims which are not anticipated by Butts, claims 1 and 4, claim 5 cannot be obvious in light of Butts. Butts discloses none of the bases relied upon by claim 5. The addition of a NC terminal as the terminal for claim 4 cannot be obvious because the disclosure of claim 4 is not known. One skilled in the art can not obviously replace one article with another in a method which itself is not known or obvious to the one skilled in the art.

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Claim 6 is dependent upon claim 4, and is believed to be patentable for at least the reasons set forth therein.

Newly added claim 7 is described at pages 3-5 of applicant's originally submitted application. It is dependent upon claim 1 and is believed to be patentable for at least the reasons therein.

Newly added claims 8-10 are described at pages 4-8 of applicant's originally submitted application. Independent claim 8 specifically discloses that a table of screen recognition information is downloaded to the terminal, where it is used to decode screen identification information. It also discloses the process of receiving, decoding and sending screen information in general. As the applicant has stated in its previous office action response, the receiving, decoding and sending of screen information is not taught in the prior art. Neither are the specific steps using a table of screen recognition information disclosed in the prior art.

Claims 9 and 10 are dependent upon claim 8, and are believed to be patentable for at least the reasons set forth therein.

Reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that there are further issues preventing a notice of allowance from timely issuing, he is requested to telephone the undersigned.

The Examiner is authorized to deduct additional fees believed due from our Deposit Account No. 11-0223.

Respectfully submitted,

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